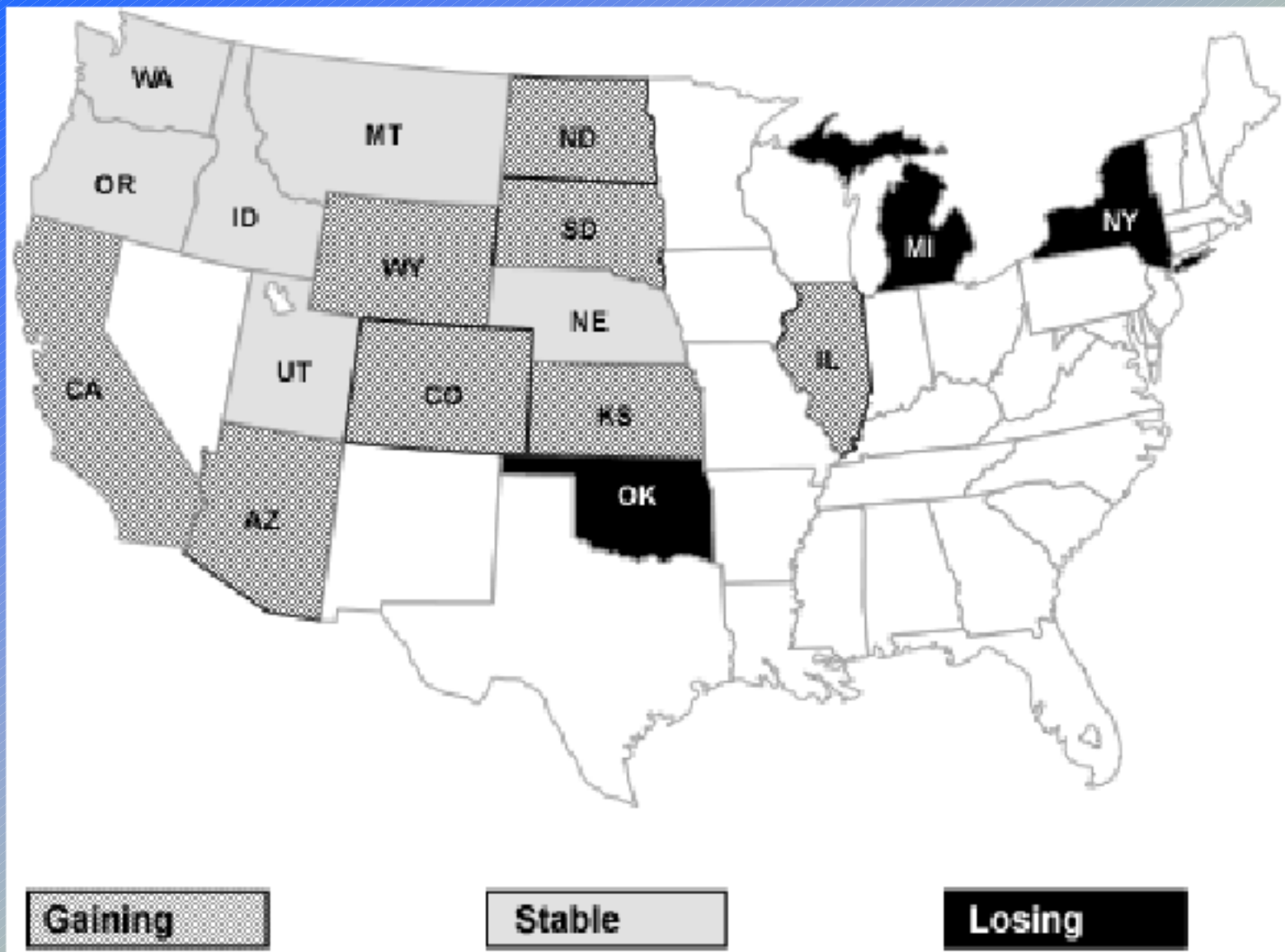


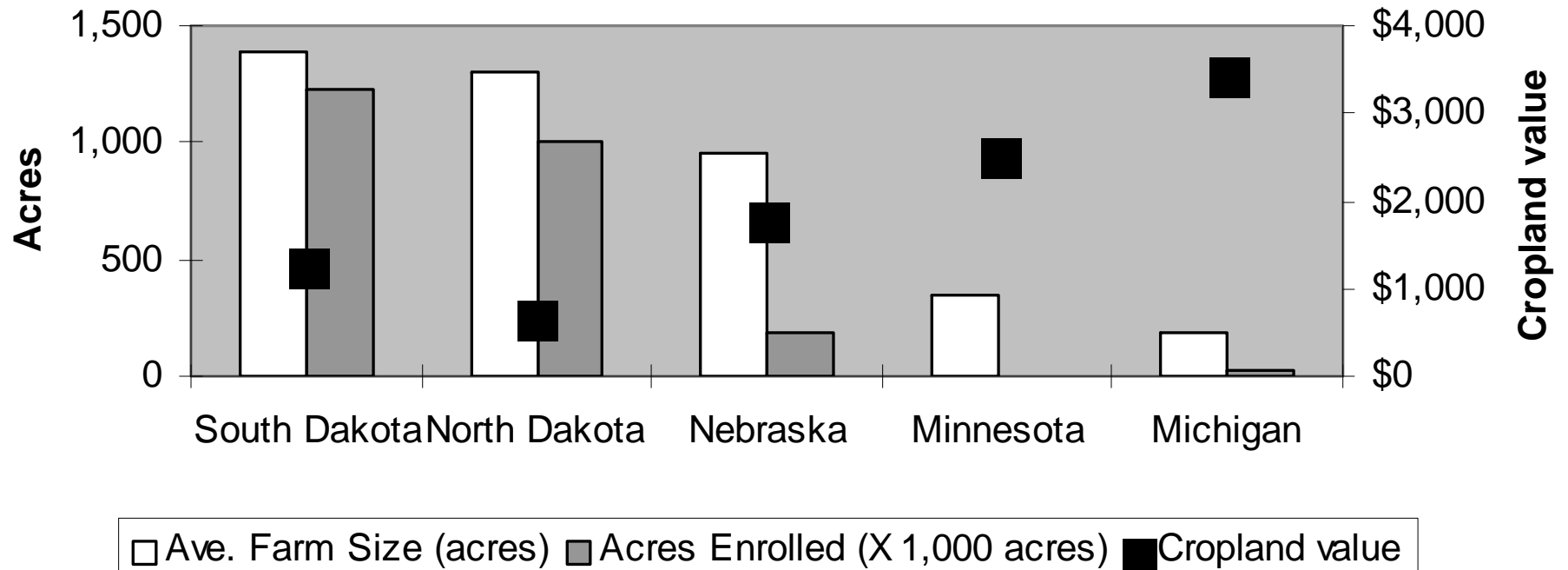
Access to Minnesota Outdoors Plan

- *Report to Legislature required under Minnesota Session Law 2007 Chapter 131 Section 85*
- **This is an implementation plan in response to the legislative mandate.**



Seventeen states responded to the DNR's walk-in survey in the fall of 2007.

Walk on acres compared to farm size, cropland value



Recommended Walk-In Program Option for Minnesota

- Target existing programs such as CRP, CREP, RIM, RIM-CE, WRP, etc.
- One to two year contracts
- Contract should have an opt-out provision.
- Simple payment structure
- Annually published, high quality, widely available map books

- Sign each parcel at corners and access points. Large parcels may need more signs.
- Build habitat complexes by targeting program around existing wildlife habitat
- Focus on grassland and wetland habitats
- Ensure contract compliance through inspections before and after season
- Increase enforcement efforts to reduce landowner conflicts
- Change liability law to protect landowners enrolled in state sponsored walk-in program